

Instructor: **Mariscal, Carlos**
 Subject: **PHIL**
 Catalog & Section: **712 1002**
 Course ID: **86929**
 Objectives:

Enrollment: **26**
 Responses Incl Declines: **12**
 Declines: **0**

Teaching (Lecture) (15 comments)

Q: Please provide your thoughts on the instructor's teaching, including strengths and areas for possible improvement.

- 1 Carlos is, without a doubt, one of the best professors that UNR employs. He knows so many topics, backward and forwards--and is particularly gifted in drawing connections between opposing topics.
- 2 Carlos is the best! Incredibly knowledgeable, and just a very nice professor to take a course with. Carlos was very understanding this semester in light of COVID and the difficulties of returning to class in-person. He is a great and key component of the UNR philosophy department. I apologize if there are any typos in this review. I am very sick as I am writing this and hope it does not reflect poorly on Carlos.
- 3 Change nothing, phenomenal course professor. Thank you so much for a truly enlightening semester, I will cherish what I have learned in your class for the rest of my life.
- 4 no comment
- 5 Great at making complex ideas more accessible
- 6 The teaching style was great this semester, I loved the sense of community in the classroom and the cooperativity of the learning in general.
- 7 Dr. Mariscal is very nice to us, but he's not a pushover. His class is very welcoming and feels like a safe little haven from the rest of the world. I look forward to his class every time.
- 8 Dr. Mariscal is very passionate about philosophy of science and that is felt during his class. He encourages students to speak up and creates a safe environment to share ideas and opinions.
- 9 Dr. Mariscal did a great job providing background information and explaining the concepts, but the main teaching was through the students' presentations and handouts, which weren't ALWAYS 100% up to snuff.

Q: Please provide your thoughts on the course as a whole, including strengths and areas for possible improvement.

- 1 Let me begin by saying that I really loved the feud/debate style of the class - it worked very well. On the physics end, I recommend Freeman Dyson's essay "Manchester vs Athens", which is in his book "Infinite in All Directions." I also recommend "The Scientist as Rebel" (also by Dyson) and "When Einstein Walked With Godel".
- 2 no comment
- 3 I appreciated the historical approach to this course
- 4 The content was extremely interesting and it was always easy to engage with the different papers.
- 5 The course was great, I like the set-up of having discussions each class. If things were graded a bit quicker I think that would help students improve throughout the class.
- 6 I really enjoyed the course and the discussion format we embraced, but I think I would have learned/retained more information if maybe the first half of class was a traditional lecture by the professor and the second half was the student presentation.